

Preliminary Amendment
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Attorney Docket No.: 12706/21

REMARKS

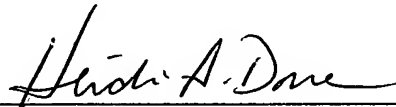
Amended sheets have been filed with the International Bureau. Copies of these amended sheets are submitted herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

Claims 1-12, and 14 are currently pending in this application. Claims 3-6, 8-10 and 13 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies. Claims 2 and 3 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors. No new matter has been added in these changes.

An Abstract on a separate sheet has been provided.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the Amendment and proceed with examination of the application on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,



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